

Subject: Weekly Report: No Apriils Fools Joke -- Runyon Canyon Closes on April 1st

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Hi Friend!

Here's a quick roundup of the week in Council District 4.

In The News:

- **89.3 KPCC:** [Zoo Welcomes Four New Zebras](#)
 - **Beverly Press:** [City Outlines Concrete Plans for Hancock Park Repairs](#)
 - **L.A. Times:** [City Approves Water and Power Rate Hikes](#)
 - **L.A. Times:** [Wizarding World of Harry Potter Debuts in April](#)
 - **L.A. Weekly:** [Runyon Canyon to Close for the Entire Spring](#)
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Runyon Canyon Closes for Water System Repairs

Runyon Canyon is one of the most heavily used parks in the City. Starting this April through July, the hiking area in Runyon Canyon will be temporarily closed for waterline infrastructure repairs. The pipelines are nearly 100 years old and are prone to constant leaks and breaks -- compromising the surrounding neighborhoods and our community's public safety. In light of the closures, the community can visit any of the regional parks with similar outdoor recreation opportunities, listed below:

Franklin Canyon Park, 2600 Franklin Canyon Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90210

Fryman Canyon Park, 8401 Mulholland Drive, Studio City, CA 91604

Hollywood Reservoir, 6399 Weidlake Drive, Hollywood, CA 90068

Wilacre Park, 12601 Mulholland Drive, Studio City, CA 91604



For more information, click [here](#).

Legislative Update

This week, City Council voted to increase **water and power rates**. While it was a difficult decision for me to make, I believe that my "yes" vote would support the City and the Department of Water and Power to better serve our neighborhoods. Our City's infrastructure is aging -- some water systems are nearing 100 years old and leading to system failures and power outages. The rate increase is necessary to support these costly repairs, transitions to more energy efficient sources, and to build more sustainable and greener communities.



Welcome, Adeena!

I am happy to announce and welcome a fierce new leader to our team, Adeena Bleich. Adeena joins us as the **Deputy Chief of Staff** -- managing field operations, constituent services, and community partnerships. She has a unique combination of business management, fundraising, and community outreach experience. Read her bio, [here](#).



In the Community

On Wednesday, my colleagues and I welcomed the new **LAUSD Superintendent Michelle King** to City Hall. King is the first African-American woman to hold this post.

LAUSD is the largest public school system (in terms of the number of students served) in the State and the second largest in the US. I look forward to her leadership in the City.



On Thursday, I attended the **Laurel Canyon Town Hall** to address public safety concerns raised by community members including break-ins, mail and package theft, traffic, and nuisance violations. I will do everything I can in City Council to support emergency resources to ensure that the police, fire and emergency services have the tools they need to respond as quickly as possible when help is called.



Upcoming Neighborhood Meetings

Please join me and the Department of Recreation and Parks to continue the discussion on the proposed plans for improving **Griffith Park's** public safety and access. Your input is important and we hope to see you on March 9th. More details,

[here](#).



re:code LA

re:code LA is a comprehensive revision of the City's outdated zoning codes. Join us for the upcoming public forums and have your voice heard. More information, [here](#).



LA Sanitation's Clean Streets Survey

LA Sanitation has created a survey to identify key cleanliness issues facing our local neighborhoods. Individual responses are anonymous, and the overall results will be used to create a citywide public outreach campaign. Take the five-minute survey and let LA Sanitation know what you think! [Click here](#) for the survey.



Neighborhood Council Elections

Have you considered getting in involved in your local Neighborhood Council? The 2016 Neighborhood Council elections are coming up.

More information, [here](#).



See the full list of upcoming community events, [here](#).

Let us know how we are doing. [Visit my website](#) and provide us your feedback.

Sincerely,

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